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BAPTISMS (Registered Parishioners):
Call the Parish Office

MARRIAGES
Please set the date with the priest or deacon at least six months prior to the wedding. Weddings cannot be scheduled after the Saturday evening Mass or on Sundays.

BULLETIN DEADLINE & INSERTS
Please submit any bulletin announcements to the Parish Office by 2pm on the Monday prior to the weekend you would like it published. Also, please contact the office to obtain permission to insert fliers into the weekly bulletin.

MASS SCHEDULE:

Monday - Friday:
9:00 am

Sunday Vigil (Saturday):
4:00 pm

Sunday:
7:30, 9:30 and 11:00am

First Friday:
9:00 am

CONFessions:
Saturday: after 4pm Mass
First Friday: Before 9:00 AM Mass
Other times by appointment

DEVOTIONS:
Rosary: 8:30 am, daily
Chaplet: following daily Mass

Holy Hour
Thursday: 12:00 Noon
If you are a resident in this area, we hope that you will continue to grace us with your presence and register with our office manager. You may call 860-673-9858 or stop by the parish office to register. If you are a visitor, we thank you for participating in worshipping with us and we hope to see you again.

**This Week at St. Ann's**

**MONDAY, December 25**
MMP Cenacle: will resume January 8th

**TUESDAY, December 26**
RCIA: will resume January 9th

**WEDNESDAY, December 27**
Matthew Bible Study: off this week

**THURSDAY, December 28**
Holy Hour: 12 noon in the church
Traditional Choir: off this week
Children’s Choir: off this week
Folk/Contemporary Choir: off this week

**FRIDAY, December 29**
Matthew Bible Study: off this week

**SATURDAY, December 30**
Men's Breakfast Group: 8am in Room 3

**SUNDAY, December 31**
Reminder: Monday, January 1st we celebrate Mary the Holy Mother of God. This is NOT a Holy Day of Obligation this year. Regular Mass schedule will apply.

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**Merry Christmas!**

**Christmas Schedule**

Advent Penance Service: Monday, December 18th at 7pm

Sunday, December 24th: 4th Sunday of Advent
8am and 10am

**Christmas Eve**
3pm, 6pm and 9pm

**Monday, December 25th:**
Christmas
8am and 10am

**Monday, January 1st - Solemnity of Mary:**
not a Holy Day of Obligation this year regular Mass schedule applies
“For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger.”
- Luke 2:11-12

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass

The Men of Saint Ann’s
Annual Men’s Retreat
January 19 - 21, 2018
At Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center
West Hartford
Join Us for a focus on: “Grace Enough”

Join Holy Family’s retreat team for a weekend of peace and reflection on the power of God’s grace in our lives. In an age of division, tension and change, Grace Enough will explore the many ways God’s presence empowers us and supports us through every step of life’s journey. Discover anew how God’s grace is our greatest source of strength and courage to meet the ever-present challenges in our lives. Together we’ll reflect on how living in God’s grace guides us to make wise choices, leading to true happiness and peace.

The retreat begins with a buffet dinner from 6:00-7:30 p.m. on Friday evening and concludes with the celebration of Sunday Eucharist at 10:45 a.m., followed by an optional hot brunch at noon. Families of retreatants are most welcome to attend the Sunday mass and brunch at no extra charge.

For more information go to the Holy Family Retreat Center website: https://www.holyfamilyretreat.org
Click on Retreats, then Themed Retreats
Call or Email us:
Paul Watson: 860-922-0812 or Pgwatson33@gmail.com
Bob Yurch: 860-675-1366 or byurch@fiainc.com

How We Can Help the Homeless During the Holidays...

Once again we will be collecting socks, gloves, and hats to make gift bags for the men at ImmaCare shelter. Also, Chapsticks and toiletries. Hopefully, we will get enough to also have some distributed to those men and women who remain outside until the weather becomes life threatening. Please drop off any donations in the kitchen & label for Immacare. Our thanks & wishes for a blessed holiday season.

Adult Faith Formation

Thank you!

Heartfelt thanks to all those who helped make the Advent Reflection Series such a blessing for our parishioners:
• Fr. McHugh, for generously providing the booklets
• Mark Hamel, for creating the discussion guide and facilitating a Small Group
• Ann DiStefano, Karen Edgar, Mary Healey, Chip Janiszewski and Jim Serruta, for facilitating Small Groups
• The dozens of participants who gathered to share their faith together.

If you read and reflected on the booklet in a group OR on your own, and it deepend your experience of Advent/Christmas, please let Ann know: ann.distefano@stannavon.com; (860) 673-9858, x228.

Want to give Small Groups a try?

Unpacking the Sunday Scriptures will resume the week of January 7th
We meet weekly for 90 minutes to read and reflect on the upcoming Sunday Scriptures, so that we may grow in our relationship with God, build community, and enhance our experience of Mass.

Join us at one of these convenient times: Sundays, 10:30am, Room 3
Mondays, 7:15pm, Room 3

Contact Ann above to register, or simply DROP IN to check it out. All materials are provided, but bring your Bible if you like.
**Weekly Ordinary Income**

December 10, 2017: $7,572.88  
December 17, 2017: not available at time of upload  
Next weekend’s 2nd collection: none

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**CONFIRMED?**

Are you an adult Catholic who has been baptized, but never received the Sacrament of Confirmation?  St. Ann’s is delighted to offer a six-week preparation program just for you, leading to your receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation at the Cathedral in Hartford in April 2018. The April date has not yet been determined but will be announced soon.

The Adult Confirmation Program will meet on Thursdays starting January 25th until Thursday, March 1st. The class, which will be in Room 2 (below Fr. Bennett Hall), will run from 7:00 to 8:30 pm.

Deacon Jeffrey Sutherland and Deacon Tim Healy will facilitate the class.

If you are interested in this program, please contact Maureen Fiedler, RCIA and Adult Confirmation Program Coordinator at 860-995-4026.

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**You’re Invited!**

**St. Ann’s first Ever Baptism Reunion.**

Who: Parents with children baptized in the last five years.  
What: Meet, play, eat, enjoy getting together with other families with recently baptized children.  
Pick up your free Baptism Go-Kit!  
When: After the 11am Mass on January 7th for about an hour.  
Where: Fr. Bennett Hall

We’ve mailed out as many invitations as we could, but we know we’ve probably missed plenty of people. If you’ve had a child baptized in the last four or five years, consider yourself invited!

We hope to see you there!

RSVP to Deacon Tim via email (DeaconTim@StAnnAvon.com) or text/voicemail his cell (860) 693-9744.

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**Save the Date**

**The 9th Annual Book Sale**

January 12-14, 2018

All proceeds go to Catholic High School Student Scholarships.

Please donate books in good condition during the following book sale collection dates/times:

- Wednesday, January 10th: between 9:30 AM - 6 PM  
- Thursday, January 11th: between 9:30 AM - 6 PM  
- Friday, January 12th: between 9:30 - 11:30 AM

Please donate: best sellers, fiction, non-fiction, religious, classics, biographies, self-help books, vintage books, cookbooks, collectibles, large print, children’s books, young readers, memoirs, books-on CD, music CDs, movies on DVD, and (new this year) record albums.

Please do NOT donate: encyclopedias, textbooks, magazines, VHS movies, records, or cassette tapes.

In addition to books, please donate sturdy computer paper boxes and box tops.

January 2018 Book Sale dates:

- Friday, January 12th: 5-7:30pm- $5 adult admission  
- Saturday, January 13th: 9am–5pm (no admission fee)  
- Sunday, January 14th: 8am–12:30pm (no admission fee)

SUPER SALE: From 5-6pm on Saturday and during all Sunday hours, you can choose 20 books for $5

Volunteers are needed for sorting books.

To volunteer at the January 2018 Book Sale, please contact
Nancy Casey (860.673.3141) nancicle@gmail.com, or  
Constance Rotondo (860.404.0904) constance.rotondo@comcast.net

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**Calling All Artists!**

**WHO:** Artists of all ages  
**WHAT:** Your art work as a donation to the 9th Annual St. Ann Art Show and Sale  
**HOW:** Use contact information below. All mediums accepted: watercolor, acrylic, oil, pencil, collage, photography, sculpture, artisan crafts, fabric art, etc.  
**WHEN:** Donations happily accepted, preferably by January 26, 2018  
**CONTACT:**
Inez Faillace: 860.673.5579 or faillace1@comcast.net  
Meg Kundahl: 860.521.1051 or mkfk@sbcglobal.net

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**Hey, Fr. McHugh’s inviting us to a party!**
The poinsettias decorating the altar for Christmas have been donated in honor* of or in memory of the following persons:

Dick & Margaret Julian
The Colturi Family
The Cooke Family
Janet Garger
William & Amelia Coccia
Josephine & John GaARGER
Rose & Frank Wolfel
Pat & Louise Bell
Rev. Thomas McCarthy
Al & Doris Tafuri
George Rand
Violet Kadlecovic
*David Matthies*
The Lupo & Matthes Families
John & Nina Ruk
The Topolosky Family
The Raynor Family
The Tromza Family
Rev. James Cronin
Eleanor McGrath
James Smith
Monique Fortin
The Power Family
The Fee Family
The Peregrin Family
Eileen & Robert Rooney
Leonard Hudak
The Kuzia & Herman Families
Sam Riea
*Joyce Smith*
Glenn Wiseman
Mary Wiseman
Walter Smith
William LaMonica Sr.
The Lenihan & Miller Families
Katherine LaMonica
James P. Waldron
Gertrude Waldron
John F. McCusker
Jack & Helen Welter
Aphonse & Lily Apuzzo
The Healey & Shoulder Families
George & Catherine Taverna
The Lenihan & Miller Families
Bud & Mary Thompson
The Lenihan & Miller Families
Tony & Connie Gugliotti
The Lenihan & Miller Families
Helen Kozak
Our Parents, Rose, Charlie & Frank
Joan Sheldon
The Franciscans
Ruth & Natalie Balich
The Franciscans
John & Paul Pipoli
The Franciscans
Connie & Art Erickson
The Franciscans
John A. Douglass
The Franciscans
John A. Douglass Jr.
The Franciscans

Elizabeth Douglass
Eric Rebillard
Horace & Anita Abate
Rose & Margaret Juliano
Douglas Blood
Dee Dee Sullivan
Dr & Mrs Romeo Levesque & John
Mr. & Mrs Robert Weldon
The Ruez Family
Ruby Sutherland
Noel Wilson
Angela Rowley
The Healey & Shoulder Families
The Lenihan & Miller Families
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Ahnad Khoshevniss
Afars Khoshevniss
Robert Turnelle
Mali Bahari
Aldo & Elizabeth Zeffiro
Mary O’Brien Stevens
William J. Stevens
Palma Van Blerkom
Joseph & Jeremy Savidge
Doris & Don Savidge
Margaret Mary Savidge
Samuel N. Galope
The Maguires
The Muro Family
Frances Connors
Marion Connors
Theresa J. Benoit
Paulette Barham
John & Dorothy McCoy
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Addis & Elsie Daily
Lucille Tavtigian
Fred Stockton
*Joanne Tousignant*
Mr & Mrs Robert Glynn
Mr & Mrs Joseph Kreivenas
William & Elvira Severini
Philomena & Arthur Leone
Francine Sider
The Kijanka Family
*Larry Sefca*

Jim Regan
Bill Ryan
The Girard & Mhern Families
Samuel R. Olson
Robert Walsh
Lewis Affelder
Jack & Helen Affelder
Lena & Zelinda Salvadori
Douglas & Mildred Gould
Prima & Anne Butteri
Gerald Gill
Helen Randall
Paul Irving
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Mary Hojnouski
Henry Hojnouski
Manda Koch
Alfred Koch
Geraldine Olson
Raymond Olson
John & Katherine Kjerman
Ruth Montanye & Kenneth Montanye
Bertha Bolster
Robert & Julie Guglielmo
*John & Sally Murphy*
Mr & Mrs. N. Hortonavich
Mrs. Mrs. Edwin Jud
Lynn Rossini
Rose, Terry, Delphace Ken
Our Parents, Rose, Charlie & Frank
Fermin Alambra
Laly & Ann Harvell
Jess & Lil Benton
Joseph Handhammer
The Kacpinski & Sipperly Families
John T. LaVia
Roger & Irene Bernier
Cynthia Cdesi
Jim McHugh
The Coan Family
The Ga Family
Mildred & Walter Newman
Vera & Albert Altz
Potkay
Polonis
The Testa Family
The Kulesa Family
Ed Sikora
Anna Wasserbach & Charles York
*Rosalie York*
Wayne Cromack
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Carl T. Dubiel
Mr & Mrs Geo Kubik
Walter & Anita Steigerwald
Michael Steigerwald
The Madden & Goett Families
Eddie Consuegra
*The Tyler, Cronin & White Families*
Ervin Schortzmann
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The Stepien & Kemp Families
John M. Reilly
Mary R. Clark
Raymond Teodosio
Terry Moody
The Renaud Family
Babcia Krystyna
Fred Bielefeld
Mary Martino & Don Arciero
Dr. Nicholas Mascoli
Nancy Boyd Martin
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George & Ginny Yurch
Maureen McCall
*Jean Springman*
The John Dubin & Otto Steiner Families
Gabrielle St. Jean
Betty & Al St. Jean
Maria & Charles Whelan
Hannah & John Deckers
Barbara Downey
Thomas Ledwith
Helene & Arthur Chrapowitzky
Helen & Frank Perrone
The O'Neill & Driscoll Families
Hanna Jablonski
William Sharp
Anna & Vincent Vitkauskas
Mary & Patrick Marra
Marion Toce
Thaddeus Baldyga
Mary Maciolek
Jean Leavitt
Lucy Rose
The Bingham & DuRoss Families
The Angelina & Zunno Families
Eileen Lapachelle
Frank & Joan Wirth
John Pellegri
Frank & Victoria Wirth
Stanley & Ann Hodstowskj
James R. Hamel
Martin T. Foy, Sr.
Peter & Ann Arico
& Carla Rose Pastizzo
The deceased family members of
John & Marie Peluso
Carl & Mildred Lawnowicz
The Biscoglio/Stevens Families
The Tomlinson Family
Dick Buckley
Mary & James Martino
Harold & Hope Whalen
*Charlotte M. Donnelly*
James J. Donnelly Jr.
Maryann Enderle
Helen Ann Bachhuber
John Bachhuber
Dolores Aberdale
The Presnick Family
The Soucier Family
The Fregeau & Nashlenas Families
The Babcock Family
Jonathan Michael Gilotti
The Gilotti & Valeri Families
Alex Fisher
Christine Klatt
*Beverly Arndt*
Lucielle Reardon
The Maxine Lozier Family
The Alexis Cyr Family
Edwin Lysak
The John Lysak Family
The Joseph Brennan Family
Thomas Murphy Jr.
Rosalie Murphy
The Szydl Family
The Magiera Family
Eugene Duarte
Jeffrey Walsh
*The Gray Family*
Denis & Margaret Cahill
Denis, Elinor & James Cahill
Daniel & Alice Miley
Daniel Miley
Pat Clark
Joseph, Dahlia, & Carolyn Calcagni
Angelo & Anna Lagana
The Anderson, Pirnat & Swanson Families
John G. Bernetich
Sheila O’H. Jadovich
The O’Hagan family
Gerald Buckley
*Tim Buckley*
William Peck
Pauline Peck
Gabriel Ruta
Eleanor Ruta
Leonard La Monica
Carol DeVita
Katherine & George DeVita
Dr. Paul Thomas Bauer
Joe & Pauline Centofanti
Matthew & Richard Jerzyk
The Williams Family
The Gagne Family
Jeanne & Nicholas Nardoia
Janet Carroll
Anna & Charles McNamara
Leo & Bea Salvatore
George Francis Walls
Helen Frances Walls
Corinne Elizabeth Wall
The Smolinski & Sopelak Families
Miriam & Walter Hill
Mort & Jane Murphy Jr.
Andy Moe
Gene Overmeyer
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